

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

November 3, 2005

Minutes

THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE REGIONAL COUNCIL. AUDIO CASSETTE TAPE OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE FOR LISTENING IN SCAG'S OFFICE.

The Regional Council of the Southern California Association of Governments held its meeting at SCAG offices downtown Los Angeles. The meeting was called to order by the President Toni Young, Councilmember, City of Port Hueneme. There was a quorum.

Members Present

Councilmember Toni Young, Port Hueneme, President	District 45
Supervisor Yvonne Burke, 1 st Vice President, Los Angeles County	
Supervisor Gary Ovitt, 2 nd Vice President, San Bernardino County	
Supervisor Judy Mikels, Ventura County	
Supervisor Jeff Stone, Riverside County	
Supervisor Chris Norby, Orange County	
Supervisor Victor Carrillo, Imperial Valley	
Mayor Pro Tem Ron Roberts, Temecula, Immediate Past President	District 5
Councilmember Jon Edney, El Centro	District 1
Councilmember Greg Pettis, Cathedral City	District 2
Councilmember Bonnie Flickinger, Moreno Valley	District 3
Councilmember Deborah Robertson, Rialto	District 8
Councilmember Paul Eaton, Montclair	District 9
Councilmember Alan Wapner, Ontario	District 10
Mayor Lawrence Dale, Barstow	District 11
Councilmember Cathryn De Young, Laguna Niguel	District 12
Councilmember Richard Dixon, Lake Forest	District 13
Councilmember Tod Ridgeway, Newport Beach	District 14
Councilmember Lou Bone, Tustin	District 17
Councilmember Christine Barnes, La Palma	District 18
Councilmember Marilyn Poe, Los Alamitos	District 20
Councilmember Art Brown, Buena Park	District 21
Mayor John Bauman, Brea	District 22
Councilmember Paul Bowlen, Cerritos	District 23
Councilmember Gene Daniels, Paramount	District 24
Councilmember David Gafin, Downey	District 25
Councilmember Frank Gurule, Cudahy	District 27
Councilmember Judy Dunlap, Inglewood	District 28
Councilmember Rae Gabelich, Long Beach	District 29
Councilmember Tonia Reyes-Uranga, Long Beach	District 30
Councilmember Stan Carroll, La Habra Heights	District 31
Councilmember Margaret Clark, Rosemead	District 32

Councilmember Paul Talbot, Alhambra	District 34
Councilmember Sid Tyler, Pasadena	District 36
Councilmember Harry Baldwin, San Gabriel	District 35
Councilmember Tom Sykes, Walnut	District 37
Councilmember Paula Lantz, Pomona	District 38
Councilmember Paul Nowatka, Torrance	District 39
Councilmember Jim Aldinger, Manhattan Beach	District 40
Councilmember Pam O'Connor, Santa Monica	District 41
Councilmember Mike Dispenza, Palmdale	District 43
Councilmember Dennis Washburn, Calabasas	District 44
Councilmember Glen Becerra, Simi Valley	District 46
Councilmember Carl Morehouse, San Buenaventura	District 47
Councilmember Dennis Zine, Los Angeles	District 50
Councilmember Thomas Buckley, Lake Elsinore	District 63
Councilmember Debbie Cook, Huntington Beach	District 64
Councilmember Tim Jasper, Apple Valley	District 65
Supervisor Lou Correa, Orange County	OCTA
Councilmember Robin Lowe, Hemet	RCTC
Councilmember Keith Millhouse, Moorpark	VCTC

Members Not Present

Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky, LA County	
Mayor Ron Loveridge, Riverside	District 4
Councilmember Lee Ann Garcia, Grand Terrace	District 6
Mayor Larry McCallon, Highland	District 7
Councilmember Richard Chavez, Anaheim	District 19
Councilmember Isadore Hall, Compton	District 26
Councilmember Keith Hanks, Azusa	District 33
Councilmember Todd Campbell, Burbank	District 42
Councilmember Ed Reyes, Los Angeles	District 48
Councilmember Wendy Greuel, Los Angeles	District 49
Councilmember Tom LaBonge, Los Angeles	District 51
Councilmember Jack Weiss, Los Angeles	District 52
Councilmember Tony Cardenas, Los Angeles	District 53
Councilmember Alex Padilla, Los Angeles	District 54
Councilmember Bernard Parks, Los Angeles	District 55
Councilmember Jan Perry, Los Angeles	District 56
Councilmember Bill Rosendahl, Los Angeles	District 58
Councilmember Greig Smith, Los Angeles	District 59
Councilmember Eric Garcetti, Los Angeles	District 60
Councilmember Janice Hahn, Los Angeles	District 62
Mayor Antonio Villariagosa, Los Angeles	At-Large

Staff Present

Mark Pisano, Executive Director
Heather Copp, Chief Financial Officer
Karen Tachiki, Chief Counsel
Hasan Ikhata, Director, Planning & Policy
Keith Killough, Director, Information Services
Shelia Stewart, Executive Assistant

CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Councilmember Young, President

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Don Kornreich, Citizen, presented comments in favor Maglev. He asked to the Regional Council to continue to review the Maglev project.

4.0 CONSENT CALENDAR

Item 4.1.5 was pulled for discussion. The remaining consent calendar items were MOVED (Mikels), SECONDED (Dixon) and UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

4.1 Approval Items

4.1.1 Minutes of October 10, 2005

4.1.2 CALCOG Funding Split Adjustment

4.1.3 Letter of Support for Environmental Justice Grant Application

4.1.4 Sponsorship for Faster Freight Cleaner Air 2006 and National Urban Freight Conference

4.1.6 5313(b) Grant Submittals

4.2 Receive & File

4.2.1 Purchase Orders/ Contracts between \$5,000 - \$250,000

There was a concern as to why there appears to be only one-bidder on a number of contracts received. Heather Copp, CFO, stated this is also a concern of staff because the outreach efforts has been increased. She reported that SCAG now have a new Bids-Management System in place. However additional solutions will be reviewed and discussed in detail by the Directors. President Young requested that an action plan be brought and placed on the consent calendar after the Director's evaluation.

4.2.2 Monthly Financial Report

Item pulled

4.1.5 **OWP Amendment**

The Regional Council was presented with the amendments. Heather Copp, gave a brief overview on the projects that were changed. After her report, Councilmember Tyler stated that the updated version of the amendments were approved by the Administration Committee.

It was MOVED (Tyler), SECONDED (Dixon) and UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

5.0 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Young welcomed RC members Victor Carrillo, Supervisor, Imperial Valley and Dennis Zine, Councilmember, Los Angeles.

5.1 **Appointments**

Regional Council to Policy Committees

To CEHD: Hon. Bernard Parks, City of Los Angeles

Subregional Representatives to Policy Committees

Orange County COG to CEHD: Hon. Cathy Green, Huntington Beach

5.2 **NARC Award presented to Bev Perry**

Supervisor Judy Mikels, 2nd VP, National Association of Regional Councils (NARC) presented an award to Bev Perry for her work and contributions on the Compass Project. Supervisor Mikels also announced that Mayor Ron Loveridge was presented with the Tom Bradley award.

5.3 **Discussion of January 5, 2006 Meeting**

Due to the holiday members were asked if there were any problems meeting on their regularly schedule meeting day in January. There were no concerns. The next meeting will be held on its regularly scheduled day, Thursday, January 5, 2005.

6.0 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

No report was presented at this time.

7.0 ACTION ITEMS

7.1 **Energy & Environment Committee (EEC) Report**

7.1.1 **Malibu Creek Watershed: Added Regulation without Comprehensive Planning**

It was MOVED (Washburn), SECONDED (Mikels) and UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

7.1.2 Resolution 05-468-1 Supporting the Matilija Dam Restoration Project

It was MOVED (Washburn), SECONDED (Morehouse) and UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED to waive reading and approved the resolution support the Matilija Dam Restoration.

7.4 **Community, Economic & Housing Development Committee Report**

7.4.1 Regional Comprehensive Plan (RCP) Expanded Approach

Among the recommendations in the Compass Growth Vision/2% Strategy is that the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) should be streamlined for the purpose of facilitating key, strategic development envisioned by the region. Current discussions at the State level on potential reforms to CEQA present SCAG with an opportunity to pursue this portion of 2% Strategy implementation. The report presented in the agenda describes, SCAG's objectives for any potential CEQA streamlining legislation, and the various options that are currently under consideration.

Councilmember Robertson, chair stated that the CEHD recommended expanding the approach for the RCP to include the following activities: 1) Develop plan outcomes; 2) Coordinate with the state and regional plans affecting rural infrastructure and environment in the region; 3) Develop a regional mitigation program; and 4) Propose funding and other incentives mechanisms to support at the local level.

It was MOVED (Robertson), SECONDED (Poe) and UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

8.0 **INFORMATION ITEMS**

8.1 Highlights of the Draft 2005 State Of the Region Report

Ping Chang, Lead Planner, gave a slide presentation. He stated that since 1998, SCAG has published a State of the Region report every year. The report has been prepared under the guidance of the Benchmarks Task Force. The State of the Region reports annually on a series of indicators about the region's performance. A primary objective is to assist members of the Regional Council as they determine how the region is doing in meeting the goals in the RCP. Information on the region's performance has also been widely disseminated to assist public officials, business and community leaders in developing appropriate strategies to improve our communities.

The Regional Council felt that the State of the Region was an excellent report, and the information within the report provides the opportunity to show just what

SCAG is doing. Because of the aforementioned, there was a consensus of the members that future presentations on the State of the Region be given by the SCAG President.

9.0 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no items requested.

10.0 LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT

A closed session will be held only if necessary to report significant developments or to take required actions.

10.1 Closed Session

- Writ of Mandate re: Board of Control Decision on, Statutes 1980 Ch. 1143 Claim No. 3929 Before the Commission on State Mandates (RHNA Determination Cost Reimbursement- Council of Governments). Code Section Conference with Legal Counsel pursuant to Government 54956.9 Pending Litigation (one potential case).

No close session was held.

- Conference with Legal Counsel – potential litigation Audit issues: San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments and Orange County Council of Governments. Significant Exposure to litigation pursuant to Section 54956.9(b) Two (2) potential cases.

The General Counsel report was accepted and instructions were given by the Regional Council.

- Havens v. SCAG
Havens v. Southern California Association of Governments, Los Angeles County, Case No. BC 324931
Conference with Legal Counsel re: pending litigation
Pursuant to Government Code section §54956.9(a)

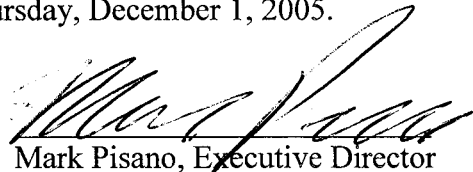
No closed session was held.

11.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements at this time.

12.0 ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting will be held at SCAG offices Thursday, December 1, 2005.


Mark Pisano, Executive Director

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